

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert the following on Page 5, line 22 as follows:

--In the practice of this invention, a message embodied in the communication may not be delivered to the monitor. Also, the sequence of controlling monitors for a particular source may be stored by the controlling monitor storing its controlling monitor predecessor for each source, and a sequence of controlling monitors for a particular source may be implemented as a sequence of original source changes in the monitor where the last is the true original source.

In addition, in one embodiment of the invention, the kernel process delivers the communication to the monitor as soon as the monitor is ready, and the monitor checks for the destination timeout's expiration. Also, in one embodiment, the kernel process verifies the source timeout (i.e., the timeout set by the destination on the amount of time it will wait for the source to initiate the communication) has not expired before sending the communication to the destination or a monitor.

Further, in the practice of this invention, multiple monitor processes may claim to be the controlling monitor of a source. Also, the kernel process may authorize a monitor's permission to be the controlling monitor of a particular source, and the kernel process may authorize a monitor's permission to be the controlling monitor of any source.--